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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: SHAKE OF PLAY IN MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS

REF: STATE 195234

1. I HAVE JUST RETURNED (1600 LOCAL) FROM RAS AL-HIKMA, WHERE I TOOK SENATOR SCOTT TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT SADAT. A MEETING AND LUNCHEON WITH FAHMY HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR 1400 LOCAL IN ALEXANDRIA AND IT HAD BEEN MY PLAN TO TAKE HIM ASIDE FOR A FEW MINUTES AFTER LUNCH TO DISCUSS THE POINTS IN THE REFERENCE MESSAGE. UNFORTUNATELY, JUST AS WE WERE ABOUT TO LEAVE RAS AL-HIKMA TO GO TO ALEXANDRIA, MARWAN ANNOUNCED THAT FAHMY HAD SENT WORD HE IS ILL AND HAD REGRETFULLY TO CANCEL OUR MEETING AND LUNCH. IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE SENATOR AND I HAD TO RETURN DIRECTLY TO CAIRO.

2. I AM TRYING TO GET USAMA AL-BAZ IN ALEXANDRIA TO SEE IF FAHMY EXPECTS TO BE WELL ENOUGH TO RECEIVE ME THERE TOMORROW. IF SO, I WILL DRIVE UP AGAIN TOMORROW MORNING AND WOULD EXPECT TO BE BACK LATE SAME AFTERNOON OR EVENING. IF NOT, I WILL HAVE TO TRY AGAIN THE FOLLOWING DAY. THERE IS NO ONE BESIDES FAHMY, WITH WHOM THESE POINTS CAN BE DISCUSSED. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED HOW THINGS WORK OUT.

3. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, SADAT IS MOVING THIS EVENING FROM RAS
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AL-HIKMA TO BURG AL-ARAB, SOME FORTY MILES WEST OF ALEXANDRIA.

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